

ORDINANCE NUMBER 70738

BOARD BILL NO. 244 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN JOHN "JACK" COATAR

1 Pursuant to Ordinance 68937, an ordinance authorizing the honorary street name,
2 Bismarck Street will begin at the intersection of Barton Street and 7th Street and run north
3 on 7th Street to Lami Street

4 **WHEREAS**, between the 1880's and 1918 there was a Bismarck Street in the City of St.
5 Louis so named for the 19th century German Chancellor Otto von Bismarck,

6 **WHEREAS**, Bismarck Street was renamed 4th Street, and six other City of St. Louis
7 streets which bore so called "enemy names were also renamed following the United
8 States' entry into the First World War due to anti-German hysteria which lead to the
9 suppression of all things German; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the German American Heritage Society of St. Louis and author Jim Merkel
11 are leading an effort to note those original names of those by giving them honorary
12 designations pursuant to Ordinance 68937.

13 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

14 **SECTION 1.** Bismarck Street will begin at the intersection of Barton Street and 7th
15 Street and run north on 7th Street to Lami Street.

16 **SECTION 2.** Pursuant to Ordinance 68937, at least sixty percent of all registered voters
17 on the blocks between the intersections of Barton Street and 7th Street, and Barton Street
18 and 7th Street have signed a petition in support of this honorary street name.

19 **SECTION 3.** Upon receipt of payment for manufacturing and installing the respective
20 honorary street signs, the Director of Streets shall install the honorary street signs,

1 Bismarck Street, a the intersection of Barton Street and 7th Street, and if adequate funds
2 are received, the Director of Streets shall also install such an honorary street sign at the
3 intersection of Lami Street and 7th Street.